

J. J. MILLER,

WEATHER.
Cloudy this afternoon and evening; Wednesday, colder, with wind from northeast.

THE EVENING NEWS.

THE NEWS
It is the leading paper of the city. It costs but 25 cents a month delivered.

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M'DONALD HIT 'EM.

He Dealt a Blow at Chattel Mortgage Sharks Said to Operate Here.

WANTS THE LAW ALTERED.

So That Destitute People May Not Be Robbed Through Exorbitant Interest Charges.

Alderman McDonald has assumed the role of intermeddler for the poor. He declared in an address before the court meeting last night that the pillows were being sold from beneath the heads of widowed mothers by the grasping, cruel and unsympathetic chattel mortgage sharks of this city.

Alderman McDonald is determined that the destitute and starving shall no longer be the prey of these merciless human sharks if he can prevent it. He offered a resolution which he intended for a remedy. It provided that the city clerk be instructed to not accept of any chattel mortgages to be received for record by him unless the party presenting the same shall make oath that he is not receiving more than the legal rate of interest, and that any applicant who may present a chattel mortgage for record which is drawn up for a larger sum than the mortgage shall be considered guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of double the amount of the obligation which he places on the records of the city, and for the second offense he shall be required to serve a term of 90 days in the county jail and forfeit whatever obligation he may have against the mortgagee. It is recited in the resolution that its purpose is to prevent money sharks from taking advantage during the cold winter of poor people's necessities. It further provides that any chattel mortgage on the city records that have been drawn up for a larger amount than the mortgage received shall be declared null and void.

Alderman Ward, who, in the absence of Mayor Bell, occupied the mayor's chair, declared the resolution out of order. He decided that the matter intended to be covered by the resolution must be regulated by an ordinance. City Attorney Sears had another view of it. He opined that the power to bring into force such a law was alone vested in the legislature before which body it should be presented in the shape of an amendment to the city charter. On suggestion of Councilman McDonald the resolution was given over to the city attorney with instructions to prepare an amendment and deliver the same to Representative Van Camp.

A communication received by Poor-master Rowe from the county superintendent of the poor in which they expressed a decision that they would no longer support at the expense of the county an indigent person who had lived one year within the city. They claimed to have a written opinion from Prosecutor Hamilton supporting their position. The names of two individuals, residents of this city, were given whom the county refused to longer support for the reason above related. The matter was referred to City Attorney Sears.

The clerk was instructed to draw orders in favor of the city treasurer, one for \$3,100.44 representing paving bonds and interest on the same paid by the treasurer February 4, last, another for \$48, interest on cemetery bonds paid in January last, and the third for \$162, interest on paving bonds, also paid in February.

Dr. Fabry's claim of \$30.85 for attending and furnishing supplies for injured firemen on the night of the opera house holocaust, was allowed at \$20.

A bill of \$110, presented against the city by St. Joseph as this city's share of the railroad judgment bonds was referred to the city attorney.

The eighth street water main extension proposition was again laid over until the next meeting of the council.

The fire committee reported against making a change in city teamsters. The report was accepted and a ballot on City Treasurer Willard's resignation resulted in its rejection.

City Treasurer Hamilton reported that on February 18 1897, interest on

THIEF'S CONFESSION.

It Was Made to Prosecuting Attorney Valentine this Morning by James C. Howard.

TELLS A DRAMATIC STORY.

His Companion, William Canton, Is Implicated but Canton Plead Not Guilty.

James C. Howard, suspected of the burglary of the premises of Eugene A. Lyon at Riverside on the night of January 21, pleaded guilty to the charge in the circuit court this morning and to Prosecutor Valentine made a complete confession of the burglary.

Howard and William Canton were arrested at Niles the next day after the Riverside burglary by Marshal Edmunds. Iron implements, afterward identified as having been stolen from a West Michigan section foreman at Columbia, and other articles which Storekeeper Lyon of Riverside recognized as having once been a portion of his stock of goods, were found in possession of the two men when their arrest was made.

This morning Howard admitted to the prosecuting attorney the part he played in the game, and his story is rather picturesque. He said that while being held at Niles by Officer Edmunds he and the officer entered a rear room in the Citizens' National bank; that while there he secretly took the postage stamps, stolen at Riverside, representing some \$20, and the miscellaneous pipe, also missed from Mr. Lyon's store, and hid them behind a desk in the room. The watch, included among the plunder of which Lyon was robbed, was dropped in the snow just outside the door of the bank, he said.

Howard implicated Canton in the theft but when Canton was arraigned in the circuit court this morning he pleaded not guilty. If he insists on a trial he will be easy to convict him on the evidence which Howard has revealed.

Barley Discharged.

Edward Bailey, the defendant in a trial caused by Miss Ella Holmes of Columbia, who alleged that Bailey assaulted her with intent to ravish, was discharged this morning on motion of his attorney, H. W. Davis. The jury in Bailey's case returned a verdict of assault and battery, which Mr. Davis held was illegal for the reason that the allegation in the information could not be construed into assault and battery. Other Court News.

In the case of the Trump manufacturing company against the village of Buchanan 80 days were allowed the plaintiff to prepare and settle a bill of exceptions.

The plaintiff in the case of Edward Beckman against George H. Thayer et al was granted 10 days to file a bond for security of the costs.

A motion for a new trial, made by Attorney S. W. Barker, in the case of Whitman against Present, was denied.

A third count was added to the declaration in the case of George B. Tatum against the city of Benton Harbor, on request of the plaintiff. Ten dollars attorneys' fees were entered.

Fifteen days were allowed the defendant to plead. In case such a desire was entertained, in the case of George B. Tatum vs city of Benton Harbor.

The case of Robert Delapp against John T. Beckwith is in progress today. It will be followed by the suit brought by Pearl McIntosh against William E. Morrow.

LUL-LA-BYE CONCERT.

It Will Be Presented at the Methodist Church Tonight.

The third attraction of the Benton Harbor Lecture course will be given in the First Methodist church this evening and will be one of the best entertainments of the entire series.

For the past three months a score of young voices have been under training of Mrs. J. N. Reed, who has charge of the arrangements. The cradle songs of 10 different nations will be well worth the price of admission. The orchestra will be assisted by Misses Cora Hull, Ida Edson, Millie Earl and others.

Every one should attend at the low price of admission, 10 and 25 cents.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in this office for the week ending February 16, 1897:

Barber, Mr. W.	Lewis, Mr. Frank
Bastin, R. C.	Martin, Mrs. C. N.
Chas. H.	Mintz, Mrs. Wm.
Carroll, Mrs. Berce	Miller, Mrs. Francis
Curtis, Mr. Anthony	Morgan, Mr. J. S.
Doran, Henry	Pearson, Mrs. Ois
Duerr, P.	Parsons, Mrs. J. A.
Edie, Miss Mary	Wetter, Mr. Chas.
Garrett, Miss Grace	White, Mrs. Henry
Hinds, Geo. W.	Young, William J.
Humphreys, Mrs. S.	Pieroni, Thadino (Foreign)

When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

Probate Court.

Estate of Lizzie and Anna Knapp, minors, petition filed by Anna Steber, guardian, for license to sell the real estate of said minors at probate sale. Hearing March 15 at 10 a.m.

Estate of Timothy Smith, deceased, petition filed by Wm. Mell, administrator of said estate, for license to sell the real estate of the deceased at probate sale for the payment of debts. Hearing March 15 at 10 a.m.

Estate of Catherine Hennessey, deceased, petition filed by John M. Glavin, administrator of said estate, for license to sell real estate of deceased for payment of claims against said estate. Hearing March 15 at 10 a.m.

Estate of Frederick A. White, deceased, will of deceased proved by D. E. Hinman and admitted to probate and Scott Whitman appointed executor of said estate.

Marrriage Licenses.

Clarence C. Finley, 22, Niles; Ayla Mitchell, 18, Summerville.

George W. Stockton, jr., 27, New Carlisle; Mary Salas, 23, Three Oaks.

REPUBLICAN WARD CAUCUSES.

Delegates Were Chosen to Attend the County Convention.

MISS OLDS SETTLES.

The Sensational Breach of Promise Suit Will Not Be Tried in the Circuit Court.

SETTLEMENT REACHED TODAY.

The Terms Are Kept Secret but It Is Said the Plaintiff Was Well Compensated.

Miss Nora Olds, the plaintiff in a breach of promise suit for \$20,000 damages against Darwin Sutherland, will not appear in the circuit court to prove the sensational allegations she sets up in her declaration.

The attorneys in the case, N. G. Kennedy and L. C. Fyle for the plaintiff, and W. C. Hicks for the defendant, got their heads together this morning and effected a settlement of the case.

The terms of settlement are not made public but it is understood that Miss Olds was liberally compensated for the injury she suffered by reason of Mr. Sutherland refusing to marry her.

New Advertisements.

Van Horn's dry goods store in the language of the ad writer will "return to its old love" March 1. In other words Mr. Van Horn will greet his customers at his old store after that date. He quotes prices.

Anderson & Babcock, the new proprietors of the Benton Harbor Hardware company, have made a contract for a regular space in THE NEWS. Their first invitation appears today.

E. W. Moore & Co. quote a lot of new prices today.

The new "Locusts" coal, the Benton fuel company tells about it.

PAYNE IN THE CABINET.

His Friends at Milwaukee Say He Will Surely Have a Portfolio.

Milwaukee, Feb. 15.—The Milwaukee friends of Henry C. Payne feel very confident that he will be invited to enter McKinley's cabinet. A letter reached here yesterday morning direct from the president-elect himself, written to a prominent party worker, which referred to several matters, and no intimation was contained in the letter that the previously understood programme in relation to Wisconsin patronage would not be carried out, or that McKinley had determined not to invite Payne into his cabinet.

The directors of the Milwaukee Railway and Electric Lighting company held a meeting yesterday and it is understood that Payne will resign the presidency of the company in order to be free to accept whatever may come to him in the way of political honors.

Chicago Reformers Call on Tanner.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 16.—A delegation from Chicago representing the Civic Federation, the Union League and the Lincoln and Marquette clubs waited on Governor Tanner last night and discussed the proposed primary election bill and the revenue bill prepared by the Civic Federation. The governor assured the delegation that he was in favor of any law which might tend to the purification of the primaries and would favor all legislation in this direction.

Francis Rapalle Begins Suit.

Francis Rapalle, of Columbia, has commenced a suit by summons in the circuit court against John J. Kelley, Columbia & Paw Paw, the Chicago & West Michigan railway and the Union Ice & Coal company.

OYSTER SUPPER.

One Will Be Served at St. John's Church.

Preparations are being made for an oyster supper at St. John's church, Columbus avenue, Thursday evening. The entertainment will be given by the ladies of the church, and besides the supper there will be an enjoyable program. Supper from 6 to 9. Price, 15 cents.

NOT EXACTLY RIGHT IS THE WAY

thousands of people feel. It is because their blood is pure. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the One True Blood-Purifier, will promptly set them right.

HOOD'S PILLS are purely vegetable and do not purge, pain or grip. All druggists.

Have you got good teeth? Stick them into Bird's and taffy. Bird always suits the best.

We have given John Schaffner the agency in Benton Harbor for our Barley Malt Whiskey. Distilled from malted barley it is rich and nutritious, and free from all impurity. For the sick and feeble it is a true tonic.

E. B. Chase & Co., Distillers, Louisville, Ky.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

Evening News and K. P. cigars.

Of for a lodge in some vast wilderness where I can be alone with a box of Bird's true candies. Bird always suits the best.

Nate Gifford for fine rigs.

Take Notice.

A. E. Nichols, the dime deliveryman, has changed his office from Lowe & House's drug store to Harry L. Bird's. Mr. Nichols says please try him at his new office and orders will receive more prompt attention. Phone 45, 3 rings. Orders may also be left at Michael & Beeny's.

Groceries cheap for cash at Dave Ryan's.

ST. JOSEPH.

W. F. Sesser has begun preparations for the construction of a brick block to occupy the site where Luckner's meat market is now located on State street. This building will be two stories high and 132 feet long with plate glass front. Mr. Sesser has tenants for the building but he refuses to state what their business is. It is understood, however, that the store room will be occupied with a stock of dry goods.

Lumberman John Wallace has had the plans drawn for a large three story building which he proposes to construct on the site now occupied by his lumber office at the foot of State street. The structure will be built of wood and will be used for an office store room and tenement purposes.

The lecture by James Poirine Hamilton, the blind son of Rev. James Hamilton, pastor of the Methodist church, last night was heard by 500 people. His subject was "What a Blind Man Saw in Europe." The young man is a student at the State University and has a brilliant mind. He is gifted with rare oratorical attainments and his descriptions of European countries and people were intensely interesting.

William Perce, of Weesaw township, an ardent politician of the republican stripe, was in town today.

W. F. Sesser's name has been mentioned in connection with the appointment of resident minister to the Sandwich Island.

Every man having a beard should keep it an even and natural color, and if it is not so already, use Bucking-ham's Dye and appear tidy.

Dave Ryan sells groceries for cash. Make your money go a long ways. Call on him.

Hall & Nichols have their new long distance telephone in operation.

GLOBE

Clothiers AND... Shoers

New Spring Styles in

HATS, CAPS, and SHOES.

Special Low Prices on Winter Overcoats and Ulsters.

FINE MACINTOSHES, HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR, SUSPENDERS.

A Satisfied Customer is the Best Advertiser.

Goods Cheerfully Exchanged or Money Refunded.

113 West Main Street,

SIGN OF THE LARGE WHITE GLOBE.

E. W. Moore & Co.

We Are Bargain Leaders All the Time.

OUR SPECIALS FOR ONE DAY ONLY.

Wednesday, FEBRUARY 17.

1,000 yds. Great American Muslin, 4 1-2c per yd.

Choice entire line New Spring Prints, 5c yd.

100 yds. fine 36-inch Silkalines at 10 1-2c per yd.

GROCERIES

Fresh figs 10c per pound.
Dairy Butter 14c.
Armour's family lard, 6c lb.
Cold cut coffee, 12c lb.
22 lbs granulated sugar, \$1.

Armour's picnic hams, 6c lb.
Crushed Java coffee, 12c lb.
"Gold Lace" flour, \$4.19 a barrel.
10 lbs rolled oats, 25c.

"Wonder" spring wheat flour, best on earth, \$1.50.

If You Are Trying To Save Money Buy Your Goods Of Us For Cash.

ENTERPRISE MERCANTILE COMPANY,

Hansen block. 116 E. Main st. Benton Harbor.

JACKETS
AT HALF PRICE.
New Dress Goods
New Silks,
New Lappert Goods,
New Prints,
New Embroideries.
Millinery
AT HALF PRICE.

Grand Special Underwear Sale

SATURDAY FEB. 13, (One Day Only)

to clean out some odd lots. They will go at HALF-PRICE. Must make room for the arrival of early spring goods.

1-4 Off Sale on all Winter Goods Continues.

ENTERPRISE MERCANTILE CO.

Benton Harbor

MEAT

and Provision

HOUSE.

We change our add to say that we have the largest stock we have ever carried in the city. If you want high-priced beef steak, we simply say we have it; if you are looking for low prices we are the place. We have the stock, the assortment and we fear no competition in our line.

If you want a quart of oysters, solid meats, we have them.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

J. J. MILLER,
The Meat Man.

Cleveland's Baking Powder

with its "rounded spoonful"

does not go so fast

as others, with their "heaping spoonful," but it lasts longer and is more economical.



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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

J. J. MILLER,
The Meat Man.

PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 Years the Standard.

